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Applicant(s): SCHMIDT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1764  
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Confirmation No.: 8654 ) Examiner: In Suk C. Bul  
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For: CATALYTIC PARTIAL OXIDATION OF HYDROCARBONS )

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Restriction Requirement mailed January 3, 2006, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from February 3, 2006 to May 3, 2006. 183

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